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DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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December 8, 2004

NOTICE OF DECISION
AND RESPONSE TO COMMENTS
PERMIT NUMBER NEV94113
Coyote Mines, Inc.
Coyote Mine

The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection is hereby issuing approval of a renewal of Water Pollution Control Permit NEV94113 to Coyote Mines, Inc. for the Coyote Mine. The facility is located in Clark County, within Sections 14, 15, 22, and 23 of Township 28S, Range 63E, approximately 1.5 miles north of Searchlight, Nevada.

This renewal allows the Permittee to construct, operate, and close a conventional gravity and heap leach cyanidation facility for the extraction of gold at the Coyote Mine. The Division has been provided with sufficient information in accordance with NAC 445A.350 through NAC 445A.447 to assure the Division that the ground water quality will not be degraded from this operation and that public safety and health will be protected.

This modified permit will become effective December 23, 2004. The final determination of the administrator may be appealed to the State Environmental Commission pursuant to Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) 445A.605 and Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 445A.407. All requests for appeals must be filed by 5:00 PM, December 18, 2004, on Form 3, with the State Environmental Commission, 333 West Nye Lane, Capitol Complex, Carson City, Nevada 89706-0851. For more information, contact Rob Kuczynski directly at (775) 687-9441, toll free in Nevada at (800) 992-0900, extension 4670, or visit the Division website at: http://ndep.nv.gov/bmrr/bmrr01.htm.

No comments were received during the public comment period.